



PCB 2026 Annual Conference: Request for Presentations
Submission deadline is November 16, 2025

The PCB's Annual Conference is approaching, and planning is already underway! The 2026 conference is scheduled for April 20th- 21st in Harrisburg, PA. We invite you to share your expertise and passion for the field with hundreds of professionals who will be in attendance.

PCB remains focused on trainings that examine evidence-based practices over time and across settings. Continuing education is essential to increasing professional confidence and conduct, practical skill development and to diminish errors that are natural in complex systems.

We encourage content that directly address the needs of professionals at each stage of their career with descriptions of common pitfalls and the best practice methods to revise and correct missteps to ensure the best possible outcomes for those we serve.

Relevant topic areas could include: treatment planning and best practices, scope of practice, boundaries, the quality of the evidence in the evidence base, documentation strategies, treatment approaches, and continued assessment of the effectiveness of interventions among others.

PCB encourages training submissions that are tailored to intermediate and advanced professionals.

The conference audience is composed of a wide variety of skill sets and educational backgrounds including individuals with varying levels of degrees, and addiction, mental health and peer experience. Among the professionals we host are: clinicians, social workers, administrators, supervisors, peer specialists, recovery specialists, psychologists, psychiatrists, community health workers, and criminal justice professionals.

When developing your training proposal, consider creating the presentation you would most like to experience yourself. **We discourage presentations that are developed to advertise or market a specific treatment center's approach.** We encourage presentations that may refer to a specific approach and disseminate the approach as it is contextually appropriate to the other evidence-based methods practiced.

The deadline for submitting the Application to Present is November 16, 2025. Completed applications can be emailed or faxed to the PCB Office.

Take advantage of this opportunity to share your talent, expertise and passion with colleagues and interested professionals at PCB's Annual Conference.

For more information or questions, contact Deborah Haas, MS Ed., Director of Training and Education at (717) 540-4455 ext. 106 or dhaas@pacertboard.org.

PCB ANNUAL CONFERENCE: APPLICATION TO PRESENT

April 20-21, 2026

PCB encourages presenters to submit trainings that present an intermediate or advanced treatment of the topic and content that will be presented in a 3-hour time frame. Please print ALL information clearly.

Presentation Title (please keep titles short):

Level of Training: ☐ Basic ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

Topic Areas: ☐ Ethics ☐ Professionalism ☐ Clinical Issues ☐ Co-Occurring ☐ Criminal/Juvenile Justice
☐ Prevention ☐ Secondary Addictions ☐ Family Issues ☐ Research to Practice ☐ Peer-Focused
☐ Medication Assisted Treatment ☐ Other _____

***Description of Presentation:** Attach a short summary of the presentation including primary goals and objectives, bibliography (all citations used to create), at least two professional references (include name and contact information) who are aware of your presentation skills, and a recent CV or Resume.

Primary Presenter: Name: _____ Degrees/Credentials: _____

Title: _____ Employer: _____

Address: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____

***If co-presenting, please provide contact information above for all co-presenters on a separate page.**

Selection Process: Applications will be judged on originality, perceived interest and need, quality of submission, objectives and references. An effort to balance the conference program will also be a consideration in the selection process. ***Incomplete submissions will not be considered. Please carefully review the instructions prior to submission.***

PCB will waive the conference registration fee for each presenter chosen. Presenters are responsible for all the materials needed for the presentation, e.g., PowerPoint, handouts or visual materials of any kind as well as any travel/lodging for presenting.

***Deadline for completed applications is November 16, 2025.** Notifications will be sent by **December 18, 2025**, to all who submit. **Completed applications and attachments should be emailed to dhaas@pacertboard.org or faxed to 717.540.4458.** For questions, email dhaas@pacertboard.org or call (717) 540-4455, ext. 106.

Preparing to Write an Effective Conference Training Proposal: The primary purpose of a training proposal is to briefly describe the content and methods of instruction to your intended audience. A carefully crafted proposal will convey the most relevant elements of the training to those whom will most benefit from the training and offer a clear description of what they can expect if they attend.

Keep it short. The proposal should be between 250 to 300 words. The proposal should be written as only one paragraph with no indentation. To succinctly describe your training, you will need to determine which elements are the most important. Structure the proposal in the same order as the proposed training. Begin with a summary of the training, and then continue with a summary of the goals and learning objectives and how these will be presented.